

Docket No. 48235 (71699)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: R. L. Huganir et al.
SERIAL NO. 09/294,298 EXAMINER: P. Nolan
FILED: April 19, 1999 GROUP: 1644
FOR: SIGNAL TRANSDUCING SYNAPTIC MOLECULES AND USES
THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants are in receipt of the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action dated October 21, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application. Kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Kindly insert the enclosed Abstract into the application following the last page of claims.

REMARKS

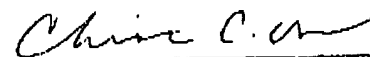
The application has been amended merely to insert an Abstract. No new matter is introduced by virtue of this amendment, support therefor being found throughout the specification (see, in particular, the application at page 4, line 21 to page 5, line 2).

The Office Action indicates that the application is in condition for allowance but for the requirement of an Abstract. Accordingly, Applicants enclose an Abstract in accordance with 37 CFR 1.72(b). Entry of the within amendment is earnestly requested.

Applicants respectfully request that the application now be passed to issuance.

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